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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

BLOOMINGTON'S 22ND ANNUAL

National Night Out celebration will be



held
**Tuesday,
August 2.**

Last year,
more than
14,000
residents

from 313 neighborhoods joined forces in the effort to prevent crime. Police squads, K-9 units, fire trucks and paramedic units showed support by visiting block parties. Registration materials will soon be sent to block captains. For more information, call 952-563-8808.

BOOK 'EM

USED BOOKS ARE ON THE MOST WANTED list. Bloomington Crime Prevention Association's 12th Annual Used Book Sale will be held **June 10 - 25**, at 9601 Newton Ave. S. Proceeds fund crime and violence prevention initiatives. For information or drop-off locations, call 952-884-6210. Books will be collected at drop-off locations and on-site during the sale.

FAMILY EVENTS AT CREEKSIDE

VISIT CREEKSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER, 9801 Penn Ave. S., for the following events presented by Human Services. For more information, call 952-563-4957 V/TTY.

SAFETY FESTIVAL AND OPEN HOUSE

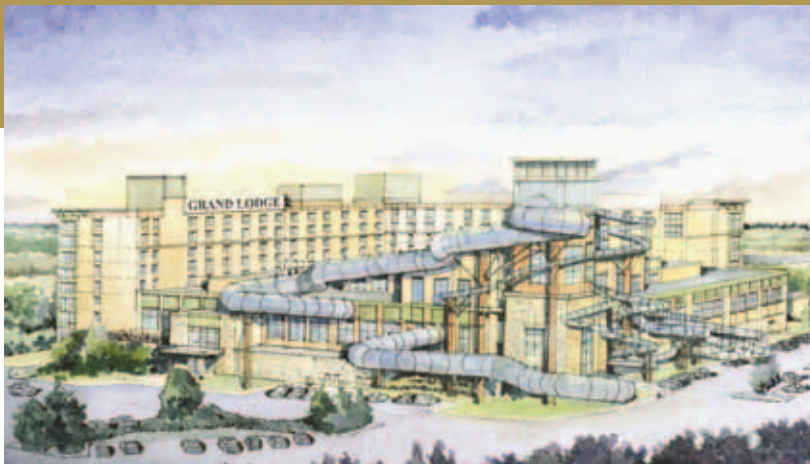
MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 5TH Annual Bloomington Safety Festival on **Saturday, August 13, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Check out the Police K-9 Unit, MADD Crash Car, and the Fire Department's smoke house and fire truck. Visit Creekside's woodshop, boutique, lapidary, pool room and buyer's club. An animal petting zoo and inflatable jumper will also be available for children.

ANIMAL EXTRAVAGANZA

WOOD LAKE NATURE CENTER STAFF will show off their interesting animal friends and present many fascinating facts on the creatures that live around us. Children and adults of all ages are invited to this free event on **Wednesday, August 24, at 9:30 a.m.**

CITY OF HOSPITALITY TOP INDUSTRY BOUNCES BACK

HOSPITALITY IS BLOOMINGTON'S NUMBER ONE INDUSTRY, employing more than 20,000 people. A growing economy is helping the hotel industry make a comeback from 2002 lows. Smith Travel Research, a lodging industry information and data provider, shows Bloomington's 2004 occupancy rate rose to 69 percent, up from 65 percent in 2003. There are almost 7,000 hotel rooms in Bloomington with more coming to replace the 780 rooms lost due to the airport's expansion and new runway. Hotels have been included as part of preliminary development plans for projects in the Airport South District. According to *The Business Journal*, those in hospitality say new development planned in the area is going to make Bloomington the place to be.



The 403-room Grand Lodge and Water Park of America, 1700 American Blvd. E., is currently under construction. The development is *The Business Journal's* Best in Real Estate award winner.

BLOOMINGTON'S EXCEPTIONAL PARK SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULED FOR 2005

AS BLOOMINGTON DEVELOPED FROM A RURAL TO URBAN COMMUNITY, THE CITY BEGAN to create public parks and open spaces. Today, almost 9,000 acres provide recreational and relaxation opportunities for all ages, ability levels and interests. The following improvements are planned for Bloomington parks in 2005.

EAST BUSH LAKE ROAD TRAIL

Pedestrian and bikeway improvements will soon be underway along East Bush Lake Road from 106th to 84th Street. The project uses new and existing trails to provide a continuous 3.34-mile trail with access to Hyland Lake Park Reserve, Bush Lake Beach, Richardson Nature Center, Forest Glen Trail and Normandale Lake. A federal grant will fund up to 80 percent of construction costs. Hennepin County, Three Rivers Park District, City of Bloomington and Metropolitan Council grants will also fund the project. For more information, call 952-563-4914.



Construction of East Bush Lake Road Trail from 106th to west of Chalet Road begins in June with completion by summer 2006. The connection to 84th Street at Chalet Road will begin in fall 2006.

CEDARCREST PARK

Last fall, construction began to enhance Cedarcrest Park, 8600 Bloomington Ave. S. Improvements include installation of a water play area, playground equipment, paved walkways, picnic tables, benches and landscaping with trees and shrubs. Replacement of the softball field, tennis court and the addition of a basketball court are proposed for the future. Cost of improvements is \$298,000. Completion is scheduled for summer 2005. For more information, call 952-563-8738.



Cedarcrest Park will be the first Bloomington city park to feature a water play area.



LYNDALE GREEN PARK

Lyndale Green Park, part of Lyndale Green redevelopment at 84th Street and Lyndale Avenue, is a cooperative effort between Bloomington-based United Properties, the Bloomington Housing and Redevelopment Authority and the City of Bloomington. United Properties contributed \$150,000 toward construction costs for the \$300,000 project and agreed to share future maintenance costs for the park. For more information, call 952-563-8876.

The one-acre Lyndale Green Park will include an arbor, seating plaza, paved walkways, natural gardens, a swinging bench and open lawn.

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NEW AIRPORT RUNWAY MAC TO HOLD INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

A NEW NORTH/SOUTH RUNWAY IS under construction that will increase the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport’s capacity by approximately 25 percent, helping to reduce congestion and delays at the airport. Part of a \$3.1 billion expansion plan developed by the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC), the runway is scheduled to open in October.

When the runway is in use, increased aircraft noise will impact residents who currently experience little or no aircraft noise. MAC is holding informational meetings to answer questions about how residents may be affected by the new runway’s operations.

MEETINGS BEFORE THE RUNWAY OPENING

Tuesday, June 7	6:30 p.m.	People of Praise Church, 2300 E. 88th St.
Friday, June 10 (Impact on business)	8 a.m.	Bloomington Chamber Offices, 9633 Lyndale Ave. S.
Monday, June 13	6:30 p.m.	Holy Emmanuel Lutheran, 201 E. 104th St.
Tuesday, June 21	6:30 p.m.	Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road
Thursday, June 23	6:30 p.m.	Cedar Valley Church, 8600 Bloomington Ave. S.
Tuesday, June 28	6:30 p.m.	Bloomington Civic Plaza, Schneider Theater

MEETINGS AFTER THE RUNWAY OPENING

Monday, November 14	6:30 p.m.	Bloomington Civic Plaza, Schneider Theater
Tuesday, November 22	6:30 p.m.	Bloomington Civic Plaza, Schneider Theater

For information, call MAC’s Noise Complaint and Information Line at 612-726-9411 or visit www.macnoise.com.

TRAFFIC-CALMING UPDATE NEW POLICY APPROVED FOR COLLECTOR STREETS

IN APRIL, THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED A new policy to help improve the safety of Bloomington’s streets.

As part of the City’s traffic-calming program, the new policy provides for collector streets that have no center medians to be changed from four undivided lanes, to two lanes or two lanes with a center, dual left-turn lane. *See photo.* On-street parking or striped

shoulders would also be added where width is sufficient. The goal is to increase safety and decrease speeds without negatively affecting the level of service of the roadway.

Under the new policy, streets scheduled for seal coat, overlay or reconstruction that have four undivided lanes and daily traffic counts of less than 10,000 vehicles per day will be considered for the program. Nine Mile Creek Parkway from Stanley Avenue to 90th

Street has been approved for the 2005 program. Poplar Bridge Road between Normandale Boulevard and France Avenue, and 84th Street between Pillsbury and Nicollet avenues are also eligible for the 2005 program.

For more information about the new policy, specific projects or the City of Bloomington traffic-calming program, visit the City’s Web site at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keywords: Traffic calming, or call Amy Marohn, Traffic Calming Coordinator at 952-563-4532.



WHAT IS A COLLECTOR STREET?

Collector streets connect residential streets to major roadways called arterial routes. They are designed to carry more traffic than a residential street.

2005 GENERAL ELECTIONS CITY AND SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES ON THE BALLOT

CANDIDATE FILING OPENS ON TUESDAY, July 5, 8 a.m. and closes on Tuesday, July 19, 5 p.m. All terms of office are four years. If a Primary Election is required, it will be on Tuesday, September 13, and the General Election will be Tuesday, November 8.

CITY OFFICES

Councilmember, At Large.
Councilmember, District I.
Councilmember, District II.
For more information, call the City Clerk’s Office at 952-563-4925.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES

School Board Members – four offices open.
For more information, call Bloomington Schools at 952-681-6421.

CELEBRATE BY USING CONSUMER FIREWORKS SAFELY TIPS FROM THE EXPERTS IN FIRE PREVENTION

CONSUMER FIREWORKS AND celebrations often go hand-in-hand, but care is needed to prevent fires and injuries. Minnesota law allows only non-exploding and non-aerial consumer fireworks. Consumer fireworks may not be used on public property including City parks and facilities, streets and school grounds. If you use fireworks, follow these important safety tips:

- Buy only from a Minnesota-based store or stand to ensure that devices are permitted here.

- Consumer fireworks should be used only by adults.
- Keep children and animals away from the firing area and at least 25 feet away when viewing.
- Follow all instructions on the packaging or device.
- Keep a bucket of water nearby for extinguishing small fires and for disposal of used devices.
- Do not touch or attempt to relight any device that does not fire. Wait 20 minutes, then discard it into a bucket of water.

- Never modify a fireworks device. For information, call 952-563-8933.



Sparklers, fountains and other novelty items are legal in Minnesota.

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YOUTH PROGRAMS
EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES THIS SUMMER

Download a registration form at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keywords: Youth program.

SUMMER ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS

Ages 6 - 12.

JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR GAMES, SPORTS, STORY TIME, ARTS AND crafts, carnivals and special weekly events. Adult supervisors are experienced in recreation and youth leadership.

When: Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
June 13 - August 12. (No program Monday, July 4.)
Where: Brookside, Bryant, Brye, Kelly, Poplar Bridge, Running, Smith, Sunrise and Westwood Parks.
Cost: \$28 for full program; \$0.75 daily. Field trips extra.
To register: Call Parks and Recreation.



DAY CAMP KOTA

Ages 7 - 12.

WHILE LEARNING BASIC camping skills, children will develop an

appreciation for the outdoors. They will explore nature, camp craft skills and meal preparation. Activities include swimming, canoeing, arts and crafts, field trips and an overnight camp. **Now available:**

Before and after camp childcare.

When: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Session I July 25 - July 29. Session III August 8 - 12.
Session II FULL. Session IV FULL.
Where: Bush Lake Picnic Shelter #3, 9140 East Bush Lake.
Cost: \$134 per week.
To register: Call Parks and Recreation.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS



AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S RELAY FOR LIFE

JOIN IN FUNDRAISING EFFORTS TO eliminate cancer **Friday - Saturday, August 5 - 6**, at Lincoln Stadium, 8900 Queen Ave. S. For more information, call Barb Michaels-Rauen at 952-881-2805.

BLOOMINGTON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (BAA) 18-HOLE GOLF SCRAMBLE AND SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

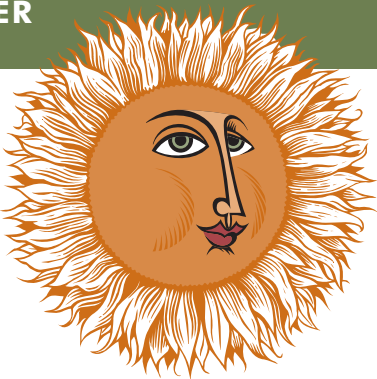
THIS BAA FUNDRAISER WILL BE HELD ON **SUNDAY, AUGUST 21**, AT DWAN Golf Course, 3301 W. 110th St. Tee times begin at 11 a.m. Cost is \$65 per person and includes cart, food and prizes. Corporate sponsors and prize donations are needed. For more information, call Jim Hunt at 952-830-0908.

ADULT SPORTS
TENNIS LESSONS – USA TENNIS 1-2-3

Who: Ages 16 and over.
Skill level: *I - Instruction:* Learn basic skills with innovative teaching techniques, drills and games.
II - Supervised Play: Low-key doubles play. Learn strategy, tiebreakers, scoring and service rotation with a variety of tennis players.
Where: Dred Scott, 10820 Bloomington Ferry Road.
When: Monday and Wednesday

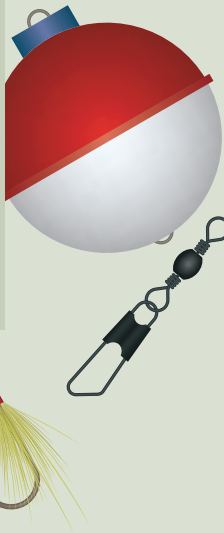
Session	Date	Level I	Level II
I	June 13 - 29	6 p.m.	7 p.m.
II	July 11 - 27	7 p.m.	8 p.m.
III	August 1 - 17	7 p.m.	8 p.m.

Cost: \$48 per person for six one-hour lessons.
Class size: Minimum 4 students; maximum 8.
To register: Required. Call Parks and Recreation.



SUMMER SPECTRUM 2005

PARKS AND RECREATION, COMMUNITY EDUCATION and the Bloomington Art Center provide great opportunities to participate in sports, art classes, educational programs and more. For more information, call Parks and Recreation, e-mail spectrum@ci.bloomington.mn.us or visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Spectrum.



REEL 'EM IN
RECREATIONAL FISHING FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES



GRAB YOUR FISHING poles – the fish are biting at Smith Park, 8155 Park Ave. S. Around 800 adult bluegills and 200 crappies were released in the park's pond in April. Since 2001, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has stocked Smith Park's 8.6-acre pond as part of their Fishing in the Neighborhood program. A 64-foot floating fishing pier is located on the southeast portion of the pond.

You can also fish for bluegills, crappies, catfish and largemouth bass at the Youth Fishing Pond at 86th Street and Old Shakopee Road. For information, call Mark Nemeth at 952-826-6764 or visit www.dnr.state.mn.us/fishing.



ADAPTIVE RECREATION & LEARNING EXCHANGE (AR&LE)

AR&LE OFFERS SPECIALLY-DESIGNED PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH AND adults with disabilities through a collaboration of the cities of Bloomington, Richfield, Edina and Eden Prairie, as well as the Learning Exchange and the Community Education Adults with Disabilities program. For more information, visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keywords: Adaptive recreation.

SWIMMING

BLOOMINGTON FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER

301 E. 90th St.

JOIN YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS FOR ANOTHER FUN-FILLED season at the Bloomington Family Aquatic Center. Purchase your season passes at the Parks and Recreation office or at the Aquatic Center beginning June 11.

When:	June 11 - August 22, noon - 8 p.m.		
Cost:	Age	Daily Admission	After 5 p.m.
	Under 1 year	Free	Free
	1 - 5 years	\$4.50	\$3.50
	6 - 54 years	\$6.50	\$4.50
	55 + years	\$4.50	\$3.50
Season pass:	<i>Individual</i> <i>Family (2 people)</i>		
	Resident	\$35 + tax	\$70 + \$10 each add'l + tax.
	Non-resident	\$60 + tax	\$125 + \$10 each add'l + tax.

BUSH LAKE BEACH

9140 E. Bush Lake Road

REACH FOR THE BEACH! BUSH LAKE BEACH FEATURES A BEACH house with changing rooms and a concession stand.

When: June 11 - August 22.
Time: Noon - 8 p.m.
Parking pass: \$25 season; \$4 daily.

SWIMMING LESSONS

SWIMMING LESSONS ARE AVAILABLE AT the Aquatic Center and Bush Lake Beach. Look for details in the *Summer Spectrum* brochure.



NEW!

WELCOME BACK TO TENNIS

PARKS AND RECREATION, IN PARTNERSHIP with the United States Tennis Association and the 98th Street Northwest Athletic Club, presents Welcome Back to Tennis, a program designed for beginners or those who want to reintroduce themselves to tennis. The free program is for people ages 50 to 64 and will be held **June 25, 9 a.m. - noon**, at Northwest Athletic Club, 1001 W. 98th St. Follow-up tennis lessons will be held in July. For more information or to register, call 1-866-816-3146.

SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE

THE BORN AGAIN JOCKS SOFTBALL LEAGUE WELCOMES ALL MEN 55 and older with all levels of playing ability. Games are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:15 a.m., at Valley View, 9000 Portland Ave. S. For more information, call Dick Wortman at 952-888-1814, Loran Wendt at 952-831-4759 or e-mail Bob Wandberg at bwandberg@qwest.net.



ARTS IN THE PARKS

BLOOMINGTON PARKS COME ALIVE WITH entertainment this summer. Bring a blanket or a lawn chair and enjoy performing artists and special events. For more information or in case of inclement

weather, call the Parks and Recreation 24-hour information line at 952-563-8878.

PARK LOCATIONS

Bloomington Civic Plaza,
1800 W. Old Shakopee Road.

Brye, 10500 Xavier Ave. S.

Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Rd.

Maplewood, 131 E. 95th St.

Moir, 104th and Morgan Ave. S.

Normandale Lake Bandshell,
84th Street and Chalet Road.

Pond-Dakota, 401 E. 104th St.

Running, 9501 12th Ave. S.

Smith, 8155 Park Ave.

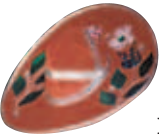
Sunrise, 9401 Bloomington Ferry Road

Valley View, 9000 Portland Ave. S.

JUNE			
13	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Mike Monson, Juggler	Maplewood
16	7 p.m.	John Philip Sousa Band	Bandshell
20	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, The Wonderful World of Woody	Sunrise
21	7 p.m.	Eden Prairie Community Band	Bandshell
23	7 p.m.	The Blackbirds	Bandshell
27	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Rachael Kroog	Smith
28	7 p.m.	Summer Spectrum Star Search	Bandshell
30	7 p.m.	Boyd Lee and Joe Cruz	Bandshell
JULY			
3	5 -10 p.m. 2 - 9 p.m. 4 - 4:45 p.m. 5 - 6 p.m. 6:30 - 8 p.m. 8:45 - 10 p.m. Dusk	Summer Fete Carnival Games (84th and Normandale) Splatter Sisters Paul Holland and The Supafuzz High and Mighty Bloomington Medalist Band Fireworks	Bandshell
5	7 p.m.	Calhoun Isles Community Band	Bandshell
7	7 p.m.	Bavarian Musikmeisters	Bandshell
10	1 - 4 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2 - 3 p.m. 3:30 p.m.	Sandcastles Limbo Contest and Worm Race Will Hale and the Tadpole Parade Sandcastle Judging	Bush Lake Beach
11	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Brian Richards, Magician	Brye
12	7 p.m.	Twin City Show Chorus	Bandshell
14	7 p.m.	Big Walter Smith and the Groove Merchants	Bandshell
18	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Wiggle, Jiggle and Jam	Civic Plaza
19	7 p.m.	Brio Brass	Bandshell
21	7 p.m.	The Mullet River Boys	Bandshell
24	12 - 5:30 p.m. 12 - 1 p.m. 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. 3 - 4 p.m. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Fiesta de Música Latina Caribe y Sur Trio Mexico Ticket to Brasil Salsa del Soul	Bandshell
25	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Dazzling Dave	Running
26	7 p.m.	Star of the North Concert Band	Bandshell
28	7 p.m.	Junkyard Lilies	Bandshell
AUGUST			
1	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Schiffelly Puppets	Valley View
2	7 p.m.	Minnesota State Band	Bandshell
4	7 p.m.	Tangled Roots	Bandshell
8	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Fish Painting and Demos with the DNR	Bush Lake Beach
9	7 p.m.	Bloomington Good Times Chorus	Bandshell
11	7 p.m.	Barbary Coast Dixieland Band	Bandshell
14	12 - 5:30 p.m. 12 - 1 p.m. 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. 3 - 4 p.m. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Bloomington Jazz Festival Triplicate Stan Bann Big Band Red Wolfe's "Ellington Echoes" Memorial Band JazzMN	Bandshell
15	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Parks, Minnesota Zoomobile	Moir
16	7 p.m.	Jerry Kosack	Bandshell
18	7 p.m.	Bloomington Symphony Orchestra	Bandshell
SEPTEMBER			
17	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	River Rendezvous Fall History Festival	Pond-Dakota

SUMMER FETE

CELEBRATE OUR NATION'S FREEDOM AT the Normandale Lake Bandshell on **Sunday, July 3, 2 p.m.** Enjoy music, food, carnival games, and exhibits from the Bloomington Police and Fire Departments, and of course, the annual fireworks display at dusk. Park across 84th Street.



FIESTA DE MÚSICA LATINA

ENJOY SOME OF THE TWIN Cities' best Latin music on **Sunday, July 24, noon to 5:30 p.m** at the **Normandale Lake Bandshell**. Park across 84th Street.

SUMMER FETE NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE

Use the envelope recently sent in your water bill or call 952-563-8877 for details on ordering Summer Fete T-shirts and buttons or to make a donation.

BLOOMINGTON JAZZ FESTIVAL

MINNESOTA'S FINEST JAZZ artists will perform on **Sunday, August 14, noon to 5:30 p.m** the **Normandale Lake Bandshell**. Park across 84th Street.



BLOOMINGTON CENTER FOR THE ARTS

LOCATED IN BLOOMINGTON CIVIC PLAZA AT THE CORNER OF WEST 98TH STREET AND Old Shakopee Road, the Center for the Arts is a first-class facility housing eight arts organizations. For facility information, call 952-563-8889. For exhibit information and events, call 952-563-8567.

CLASSES

BLOOMINGTON ART CENTER

Art, clay and theater camps are available for youth, ages 3-1/2 to 16, June 13 - August 26. To request a summer catalog or to register, visit www.bloomingtonartcenter.com or call 952-563-8587.

CONTINENTAL BALLET COMPANY

A variety of programs are available including beginning and intermediate classes for teens and adults. Advanced and professional dancers can take intensive technique classes. Classes begin June 27. To register or for more information, call 952-563-8562.



EXHIBITIONS

BLOOMINGTON ART CENTER (BAC)

952-563-8570

INEZ GREENBERG GALLERY

The 29th Annual Members' Juried Exhibition runs through **July 8**.

Metaphor and Myth, running **July 15 - August 19**, features artists Jeannine Spooner Kitzhaber and Margo Selski. An artist reception will be Friday, July 15, 6 - 8 p.m.



GALLERY HOURS

Monday - Friday	8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 10 p.m.

ATRIUM GALLERY

Woods and Water: A Seasonal Perspective, running **June 16 - July 29**, features artist Catherine Hearding. Opening reception will be Thursday, June 16, 6 - 8 p.m.



Life Is Fun!! – 25 Years in Children's Books, running **August 4 - September 16**, features Bloomington author and artist Nancy Carlson. Opening reception will be Thursday, August 4, 6 - 8 p.m. Carlson will do a reading and book signing Saturday, August 13, 10 a.m. - noon.

BLACK BOX THEATER

FOR TICKETS, CALL 952-563-8587 OR VISIT WWW.BLOOMINGTONARTCENTER.COM.

GALLERY PLAYERS AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

One of Agatha Christie's great whodunits directed by Dohn Thibault. **Thursdays - Saturdays, June 9 - 25, 7:30 p.m.** Friday, June 24, is American Sign Language interpreted. Tickets are \$12 adults; \$10 seniors, students and groups.